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I believe that I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **OPTICAL SWITCHING AND SORTING OF BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES AND MICROPARTICLES TRANSPORTED IN A MICRO-FLUIDIC DEVICE, INCLUDING INTEGRATED BIO-CHIP DEVICES**, the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understood the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of the United States Provisional patent application(s) listed below:

Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/253,644 filed on November 28, 2000 for **OPTICAL SWITCHING AND SORTING OF BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES TRANSPORTED IN A MICRO-FLUIDIC DEVICE, INCLUDING AN INTEGRATED OPTICAL ARRAY DEVICE**

to the selfsame below-named inventors as the present patent application.

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